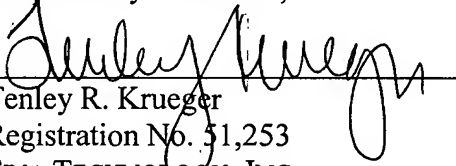


REMARKS

This is intended as a full and complete response to the Office Action dated September 16, 2004, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on October 16, 2004. Claims 1-29 are pending in the application and stand restricted under 35 U.S.C. §121. Group 1, Claims 1-16 and 20-25 are elected for consideration by the Examiner with traverse.

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